

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please the second paragraph on page 10 with the following amended paragraph:

The operation control means preferably applies to the shaking means a voltage below a predetermined value at which the ink is ejected except in an ejection period in which ~~the operation control means applies to the ejecting electrode~~ a voltage above the predetermined value required to eject the ink from the tip of each of the ink guides is applied to the ejecting electrode, so as to shake the colorant particles at the tip of each of the ink guides.

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 11 with the following amended paragraph:

Preferably, ~~the operation control means applies a voltage to the ejecting electrode~~ when the ink having the agglomerated colorant particles is ejected from the tip of each of the ink guides at predetermined intervals, ~~as well as~~ the operation control means shakes the ink having the agglomerated colorant particles at the tip of each of the ink guides with the application of a voltage to the ejecting electrode so as to eject the ink having the agglomerated colorant particles from the tip of each of the ink guide.

Please replace the last paragraph on page 11, bridging page 12, with the following amended paragraph:

Preferably, when the ink having the agglomerated colorant particles is ejected from the tip of each of the ink guides at predetermined intervals, the operation control means keeps applying to the shaking means a voltage below a predetermined value required to eject the ink

continuously in an ejection period in which ~~the operation control means~~ applies a voltage above the predetermined value required to eject the ink is applied to the ejecting electrode and except in the ejection period, thus shaking the colorant particles at the tip of each of the ink guides.